Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2011-2012

Cross Portfolio

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Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Ministerial Handover

1. How many briefs that were already sitting with Minister Evans had to be resubmitted to Minister Shorten? a. By which outcome?

Answer

Following the 12 December 2011 Ministerial reshuffle, 106 briefing documents were recalled from Minister Evans' office and then either re-submitted to Minister Evans, or submitted to other Ministers on a case by case basis.

The department's parliamentary workflow system does not store detail which would allow reporting on the number of those briefings subsequently re-submitted to Minister Shorten.